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City staff has been coordinating with the Campus Corner Merchants Association and area property owners to update the hours of enforcement for parking meters. The meters previously indicated 24/7 operation, though parking service officers were scheduled only from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays. A petition was circulated to affected businesses and received approval of approximately 70% to extend enforcement hours until 9 p.m. on weekdays and to add enforcement on Saturdays. Data collected from the parking meters also indicates high usage in the evening hours and on Saturdays and thus supports an extension of enforcement hours.

The new enforcement hours will be Monday through Saturday, from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. The rates of \$1/hour will remain the same and the maximum allotted time will remain 2 hours during the day. Upon requests from several restaurant operators, the time allotment will increase to 3 hours after 6 p.m. to allow for dinner guests to enjoy a leisurely meal. Meter feeding is prohibited. After the maximum allotted time, the vehicle must move. The meter will not grant additional time, even if paid.

Stickers will be placed on every meter clearly indicating the new hours of enforcement and the meter's digital displays will be updated this week. Meters located in the commercial loading zones (3 a.m. -10 a.m.) will also receive alternative signage indicating that no parking is allowed during those times. The effective date for the new hours will be Friday, August 21st.

For more information, contact Parking Enforcement at 321-1600 or NPDParking@Normanok.gov or the City Public Works/Traffic Control Division at 329-0528.